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REVIEWS

The Mining World Index of Current Literature. By GEO. E. SISLEY.
Chicago: Mining World Co., 1913. Pp. 234+xxiv. \$1.00.

A comprehensive list of current literature of mining, metallurgy, and allied industries for the second half of 1912. The list is arranged alphabetically by authors. For each article the title, the periodical in which it appeared, the date of issue, the approximate number of words, and the price of the article are given. The general index is supplemented by an author index and a title index. In the catalogue proper papers are grouped under the following heads: "Metals and Metal Ores," "Non-Metals," "Mines and Mining," "Mill and Milling," "Power and Machinery," "Miscellaneous." The value of such a reference work is so obvious as to require no comment.

A. D. B.

Mineralogical Notes, Series 1 and 2. By WALDEMAR T. SCHALLER.
Washington, 1911, 1912. U.S. Geol. Survey Bulls. No. 490, pp. 109, figs. 14, and No. 509, pp. 115, figs. 5, pl. I.

The author includes in these two bulletins notes on crystal measurements and chemical analyses of a number of mineral species—some forty papers in all. The material is of interest chiefly to the mineralogist and crystallographer. It appears to be the beginning of a new series of papers to be issued as bulletins of the Geological Survey.

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Determinative Mineralogy. By J. VOLNEY LEWIS. New York:
John Wiley & Sons, 1913. Pp. 151, figs. 68. \$1.50.

This book follows the general plan of Brush-Penfield, with some changes in arrangement, considerable condensation, and the elimination of the rarer minerals. These changes seem to be decidedly advantageous for ordinary determinative laboratory work. The key is not so well arranged for very rapid work as Moses and Parsons; but this is more than outweighed by the greater completeness of Lewis' tables.

In the reviewer's opinion it is by far the most satisfactory determinative work that has appeared in recent years, and should quickly find its place in many laboratories.

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